

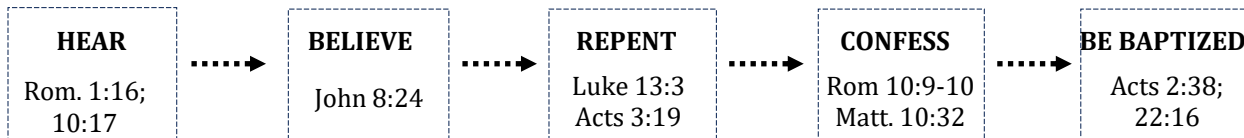
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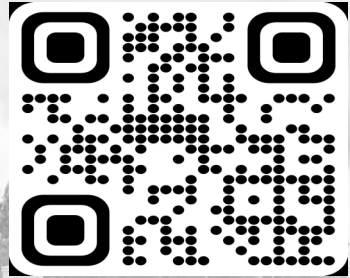


ORDER OF SERVICE
Song ~ Announcements ~ Song ~ Opening Prayer ~ Song ~ Scripture Reading ~ Song ~ Sermon ~ Song ~
Lord's Supper ~ Offering ~ Song ~ Closing Prayer

WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED?



THE MESSENGER



*"This is the message which we have heard from Him and declare to you, that God is light and in Him is no darkness at all." **1John 1:5***

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday

- Children's Sunday School10 a.m.
Sis. Carter (lower level)
- Young Christians' Class10 a.m.
Bro. Taylor (upper level)
- Sun. Adult Bible Class.....10 a.m.
Bro. Webster (main auditorium)
- Fortifying the Christian Class.....10 a.m.
Bro. Ed. Davis (lower level)
- Sunday A.M. Service11 a.m.
- Sunday P.M. Service6 p.m.

Wednesday

- Bible Study (on Zoom).....7 p.m.
Access through the website

WELCOME VISITING FRIENDS

If you are one of our visitors today, please know that we are indeed honored to have you. If you are a member of the Lord's body, thanks for choosing to worship with us today. If you are not a member of the Lord's church, we will be happy to meet with you and discuss how one becomes a member of the church which we read about in the New Testament. We aim to speak as they spoke and do as they did. We also offer a free Bible Correspondence Course which can be mailed to you. Or, someone will be glad to meet with you for a one-on-one Bible study. You can indicate your desire on a visitor's card and place it in the collection tray when it is being passed around.

*I rejoiced with those who said to me,
"Let us go to the house of the LORD."
Psalm 122:1*

CONTENDING FOR THE FAITH

What We Put In Is What We Get Out

We often hear the phrase, “You reap what you sow.” This timeless principle is deeply rooted in Scripture and serves as a powerful reminder of the importance of our actions and attitudes. As we reflect on this truth, let’s explore how it applies to our daily walk with God.

Our faith is like a garden that requires careful tending. When we sow seeds of faith through prayer, reading the Bible, and participating in worship, we cultivate a deeper relationship with God. Just as a gardener must water and nurture plants to see them grow, we must invest time and effort into our spiritual lives. The more we put into our relationship with God, the more we will experience His blessings in our lives. *“Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows.”* – Gal. 6:7

Our relationships with others are also a reflection of what we put into them. When we invest love, kindness, and patience into our interactions, we build strong, meaningful connections. However, negative behavior can lead to strained relationships. By following Jesus’ example of selfless love and service, we can create a supportive and loving congregation that reflects God’s love to the world. *“Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you.”* - Luke 6:38

Personal growth and development are essential aspects of our Christian lives. Whether it’s developing a new skill, pursuing education, or improving our health, the effort we put into personal growth yields significant rewards. When we approach our goals with dedication and a heart for serving God, we honor Him with our diligence and perseverance. Remember, the effort we invest in ourselves is an investment in our ability to serve and glorify God. *“Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters.”* – Col. 3:23

As we move forward, let’s remember that what we put into our spiritual lives, relationships, and personal growth directly impacts what we receive. Let us commit to investing our best in every area of our lives, trusting that God will multiply our efforts for His glory.

~Bro. R. Webster

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

REMINDERS

~Please silence your *phones*. 
~**No eating nor drinking** inside the auditorium.

PARDON OUR DUST

Over the next few weeks, we will undergo several phases to install two new restrooms.



New guests please complete **A Welcome Card**.
Returning guest please **print** your name in the **Returning Guest Log** in the foyer.

A **Suggestion Box** and **Prayer Request** cards are located in the foyer.

Contributions can be made electronically via **Zelle (recommended)** using the church's email- westhammondccoc@gmail.com.

Contact the church's secretary at 219-742-9520 for any of the following:

- ◆ **Requests** or **announcements** to be made or to be included in the bulletin.

OUR CONGREGATION'S EVANGELISM PROGRAM

We implore every member to pray for the success of this program, which will allow each and every member to play an integral role.

The **Men's Class** and **Ladies' Class** meet **every** Thursday at 6:30 p.m.

FALL HOMELESS MISSION



We are accepting canned goods, bottled water, toiletries, **“gently”** used **men's** clothing & outerwear items **only**. Donations can be placed in the donation room on the lower level.

ANNUAL LADIES LECTURESHIP RETREAT

Next year's retreat will be April 10th-13th in Chicago, IL. The theme is **Christian Women: Surrendering All**. Website: www.ladieslectureshipretreat.org

*****See Sis. Webster for group information*****
This year it's literally at our doorsteps, eliminating the cost of air fare to go to another state. Do make the effort to attend.

FOR ENCOURAGEMENT

Continue to pray for our newest member, Sis. Tiarra Thompson and Bro. Ahmad Powell. Please continue to encourage our new members.

TRAVELING

Sis. Mickles and Bro Brantford will not be with us today.

CONDOLENCES

Funeral arrangements for Sis. Denyale Boles Sheldon Heights Church of Christ
11325 S Halsted St. Chicago IL 60628
Sun. Sept. 15, **Wake:** 1-2:30pm & **Service:** 3pm

SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP

All members are encouraged to attend Sunday evening worship service at 6:00pm, as we endeavor to abide by Hebrews 10:25 *“not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together.”* Invite friends and families to attend.

FOR PRAYERS

Sis. Sis. Chambers and her son, Jermaine. The Oddman family. The Mendenhall's and nephew, Legend McNeal, who recently lost his dad. Bro. Hardy's daughter, Catrice Hardy. Sis. Hardy's mother Vladis Reynolds. Quince Dixon, sister of Sis. Cunningham. Sis. Lightfoot, Sis. Angelice Cunningham, Sis. Brantford, Sis. Washington, Sis. Ellis, Bro. Romeo Tomlinson and the Baggetts of AL.



BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

SIS. SIMMONS



TUES. 9/10

NO ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

Appointing Elders

We will be hosting a two-day lesson on “The church and Eldership” on Wednesday, September 11th and Thursday, September 12th, starting at 6:30 pm. Our presenter will be Bro. Eddie Taylor. This is very important as we aspire to appoint qualified men as elders to oversee the church, here, at West Hammond.

ATTENTION

We are planning a whole church trip to **Goebbert's Farm & Garden Center** on October 19, 2024. While you may drive, we will be chartering a bus, hence we will need a head count by the 3rd Sunday in September. Cost is \$25 at the gate and \$23.50 online.

Last Week's Record

Sunday AM Worship	80
Sunday PM Worship	
Wednesday Bible Class (Zoom)	45
Last Sunday's Offering	\$5,235.91
Weekly Budget	\$4,069.13